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Amdt dated January 18, 2007

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

All pending claims in the present application were allowed as per the Notice of Allowance dated October 18, 2006. However, Claim 116 refers to a "method" of claim 91 although claim 91 recites a "storage medium". Hence Claim 116 is amended as shown above.

This amendment is believed to be directed to correction of a trivial informality which does not materially affect the scope of the claims. Moreover, this paper is timely submitted because it is being filed with the issue fee payment. Therefore this Amendment should be entered as per 37 CFR 1.312.

In the alternative, if this amendment is deemed to change the claim scope, entry of this Amendment is still permitted, as per MPEP 714.16 if the following questions are answered:

- (A) why the amendment is needed;
- (B) why the proposed amended or new claims require no additional search or examination;
- (C) why the claims are patentable; and
- (D) why they were not presented earlier.

As to (A), the amendment is needed to correct an error. As to (B), no additional search or examination is required, because a limitation that was previously inherent is now made explicit by this amendment. As to (C), the claims are patentable for the same reasons as before. As to (D), the amendment was not presented earlier because the error was noticed by the undersigned just today. Applicant believes that no additional search or materially added work is required by the Office. Hence, Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Amendment.

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Note that the claims shown above include the changes indicated in the Examiner's Amendment included with the Notice of Allowance dated October 18, 2006.

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Note also that two terminal disclaimers are attached hereto, either or both of which may be entered by the Examiner if necessary to overcome any double patenting issues, relative to US Patents 6,628,466 and 6,429,984 from which this current application claims priority. Applicant presumes the Examiner has thoroughly reviewed the file histories of these two patents (including any prior art references, office actions, and amendments therein) prior to allowance, in view of Applicant's request in the preliminary amendment filed with the current application. If any fee is required for entry of either or both terminal disclaimer(s), please charge the Deposit Account 50-2263 and identify the charge with the docket number KOM004-2C.

Should there be any questions, please call the undersigned at (408) 982-8203.

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